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January 4, 2013

TO:

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FROM:

Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H. Cynlug A Heldl Director and Health Officer

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO

EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA. IRVINE EFFECTIVE UPON **EXECUTION THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013 FOR EMERGENCY**

PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on June 6, 2012, to select providers, negotiate, and execute new one-year or multi-year service agreements related to public health emergency preparedness and response, through June 30, 2017, with contract maximum obligations not to exceed \$500,000 per service agreement, per grant term, 100 percent funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will execute a sole source agreement with the Regents of the University of California, Irvine (UCI) in the amount of \$70,300, effective upon execution through June 30, 2013, 100 percent offset by CDC Notice of Award (NA) Number 1U90TP000516-01 to augment psychological aspects of the County's public health emergency preparedness. Under this agreement, UCI will will identify psychological first aid needs and develop new elements related to the psychological first aid "Listen, Protect, Connect" web-based training to put in their training module. Additionally, UCI will develop a wallet card to be distributed to the community to enhance preparedness, improve response during emergencies, and accelerate recovery efforts.

UCI has developed three psychological first aid guides entitled "Listen, Protect, and Connect", which will be used to train Department of Public Health (DPH) staff and community partners throughout Los Angeles County. As the developers, UCI is the only entity that can legally change or update this proprietary model. One guide is for parents, the second is for teachers and schools, and the third is for all ages, family-to-family, and

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neighbor-to-neighbor. The guides suggest ways to support emotional well-being before, during, and after emergencies and are utilized as an integral part of training programs conducted by DPH and community partners. Since 2009, the "Listen, Protect, and Connect" guide for teachers and schools has been distributed by the U.S. Department of Education to every school and is available at the websites of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the U.S. Department of Education, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children, Youth, and Families.

Under the contract, UCI will maintain ownership of its intellectual property and may copyright any work that it has or will develop, which is subject to copyright, under this contract. The County shall have royalty-free, nonexclusive, non-transferable and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, and otherwise use such work, whether or not copyrighted, for County and federal purposes.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the agreement as to form and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors